REMARKS

I. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 2 is cancelled herein.

Therefore, claims 1-5, 7, 12-19, 21-27 and 29-34 are pending herein. Of these claims 4, 13, 17, 22, 25 and 30 are objected to.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-3, 5, 7, 12, 14-16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29 AND 31-34 FOR OBVIOUSNESS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(A) OVER KATOH (U.S. PATENT 7,178,167) IN VIEW OF CLARK (US PATENT NO. 4,636,622)

Claim 1 is amended to recite an input unit for designating to display said image information stored in said second memory, by said authorized user, wherein said control unit causes the acquired image information to be read out from said second memory and then displayed on said display in accordance with the received input.

Support for the amendments is found, for example, in FIG. 5, and the disclosure on page 8, lines 9-25, of the specification.

Katoh describes a method for preventing unauthorized access by obtaining current utilization information and informing a user of the utilization information. See, for example, column 2, lines 10-51. However, Katoh does not relate to acquiring image information, such as taking a photograph, of a user when certain conditions are established or when to display acquired image information.

Clark discloses a card user identification system having a computerized fingerprint matching system that identifies a user of a card. More specifically, in Clark, a user of a card, such as a credit card, must have his/her fingerprints taken at a fingerprint scanner when using the card. A camera takes a photograph of the user standing at the fingerprint scanner when the fingerprints of the user do not match a previously recorded fingerprint for a user of the card. See, for example, column 3, lines 18-54, of Clark.

For example, in Clark, image information is NOT stored in a memory within the device in which the card is being used. Instead, in Clark, image information from the camera is transmitted to a remote location, such as to the central station 1, for storage. See, for example, column 3, lines 6-9; column 25-30; column 4, lines 34-37, of Clark.

Therefore, Clark relates to taking an image by a camera, and storing the image at a remote location for viewing at the remote location. Clark is significantly different than the present

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invention as recited, for example, in claim 1, where image information is stored in a memory within the apparatus, and the image information is displayed on a display of the apparatus.

Moreover, Clark does not disclose or suggest an input unit for designating to display said image information stored in said second memory, by said authorized user, wherein said control unit causes the acquired image information to be read out from said second memory and then displayed on said display in accordance with the received input. Please note that claim 1 recites first and second memories, provided within the apparatus, that store specific information. Clark does not disclose or suggest different memories, provided with the apparatus, or reading and displaying image information from the same device storing the image information.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the general nature and use of the invention in Clark is significantly different than that recited, for example, in claim 1.

Although the above comments are directed to claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that the comments would be helpful in understanding various differences of various other claims over the cited references.

III. CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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